

SUMMARY ANALYSIS OF AMENDED BILL

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Related Bills: See Prior Analysis Telephone: 845-3627 Amended Date: 04-27-98
Attorney: Doug Bramhall Sponsor:

SUBJECT: State Agency Reports To The Legislature/Place On Internet & Notify By Email

DEPARTMENT AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED. Amendments reflect suggestions of previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended _____.

AMENDMENTS IMPACT REVENUE. A new revenue estimate is provided.

AMENDMENTS DID NOT RESOLVE THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERNS stated in the previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended _____.

FURTHER AMENDMENTS NECESSARY.

DEPARTMENT POSITION CHANGED TO _____.

☒ REMAINDER OF PREVIOUS ANALYSIS OF BILL AS INTRODUCED February 20, 1997, STILL APPLIES.

OTHER - See comments below.

SUMMARY OF BILL

This bill would provide that every state or local agency that is required by law to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature shall place the report on the Internet and notify the Legislative Counsel, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly of the report's availability by electronic mail via the Internet.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT

The April 27, 1998, amendment incorporated the author's intent by amending an existing section of the Government Code regarding reports submitted to the Legislature and removed from the bill a new section of law that would have included these provisions.

The amendment also extended this bill to any report requested by a legislative committee or other entity within the Legislature, rather than just the Legislature itself.

The amendment added technical provisions that would require state or local agencies to submit a summary of the report, not to exceed one page, through electronic mail to the Legislative Counsel, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

DEPARTMENTS THAT MAY BE AFFECTED:

___ STATE MANDATE

___ GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT

Board Position:

___ S ___ O
___ SA ___ OUA
___ N ___ NP
___ NA ___ NAR
___X___ PENDING

Agency Secretary Position:

___ S ___ O
___ SA ___ OUA
___ N ___ NP
___ NA ___ NAR
DEFER TO _____

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE USE

Position Approved ___
Position Disapproved ___
Position Noted ___

Department/Legislative Director Date
Johnnie Lou Rosas **5/12/98**

Agency Secretary Date

By: Date:

The April 27, 1998, amendment also provided that a state or local agency that does not maintain an Internet website shall be deemed to have complied with the bill's provisions if the agency submits a hard copy of the required report and a summary of its contents to the Legislative Counsel, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

In addition, the amendment would require that the Legislative Counsel distribute the report summary to the required recipients within two working days of receipt and maintain a list of the reports received.

The April 27, 1998, amendment resolved the second implementation concern in the department's analysis of the bill as introduced February 20, 1998, regarding the recipients of the electronically mailed reports. However, the first implementation concern still applies and is provided below.

Except for the discussion above, the department's analysis of SB 2119 as introduced February 20, 1998, still applies.

Implementation Considerations

This bill is unclear as to the type of report that would be placed on the Internet. Some reports required or directed by the Legislature contain confidential information, and disclosure of that information on the Internet would violate state law. If it is the author's intent to provide only reports that contain public information be placed on the Internet, specific language should be included.